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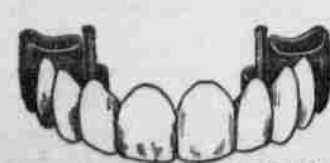
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CIVIC
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Some Plain Facts Told About Colored Kansas City—Colored People Are Beautifully Located.

By CHAS. A. STARKS.

There are terms crystallizing good ideas which are constantly put to flagrant uses, or are so frequently used that they lose their native inspiration. Then again these terms are misunderstood, misapplied, or carry such high idealism that the vulgar crowd fails to note the strong but delicate appeal. Such is the term: Civic Righteousness. In many cases orators and cheap politicians have degraded this concrete term owing to their own lack of understanding. Civic righteousness is civic beauty, that is beauty in a city or civil community. It means conformity both to the principles of civil law and civic beauty. Beauty comprises first the law of cleanliness and order, then grace, style and appointment and the higher conceptions which art brings to bear. Nature furnishes the material, the background for all beauty. Art rounds off, polishes, cultivates, smooths and directs nature's course. Then civic righteousness, so far as beauty is concerned, is reflected in what good natural conditions that may exist in a city or community with the steady effort on the part of citizens to improve and beautify.

Often the natural and beautiful environment of a community is unseen, unappreciated and therefore unimproved. Is it not because the people in that particular community have not awakened to the pleasant call of civic righteousness? Take, for instance, the people comprising the population within the boundaries of Twelfth street on the north, Troost avenue, on the west, Twenty-eighth street on the south and Michigan avenue on the east. Do these people realize the natural and cultured beauty of this splendid settlement. Why there are advantages here that make citizens of other parts of the city sick with envy. There is no spot in Kansas City so rich in beauty as that which embraces Fifteenth to Seventeenth on Paseo and Woodland. Now when you consider that in closest proximity around this beautiful breathing spot lives our very people to drink of it freely, may we not feel grateful to the very idea of civic righteousness that made this possible? True enough we realize that this was not created especially for us or even for us at all, but since we happened around here in this neighborhood we are going to stay and enjoy it. But what are we doing to improve the aim or idea of civic beauty? Do we realize that there are other things to enjoy and improve upon? Civic righteousness, like charity, starts at home. Unless in our business or dwelling places we can exemplify the spirit of "civic righteousness" we are not likely to appreciate the same abroad.

Mrs. Housekeeper, how is that front and back yard of yours? What efforts are you making toward beautifying the premises? Are those lace curtains at your front windows nicely laundered and neatly arranged? Are your windows clean or dirty? Do you decorate your front porch of evenings or mornings gowned (note the word) in a greasy kimono or do you simply attire yourself in a clean, appropriate garment? If you can differentiate nicely in these things at home, then you are actually aiding the spirit of civic beauty in your community.

Centering of public institutions, architectural grace and fitness, symmetry of buildings and connecting these with a general or specific plan of roadways or walks seems to embody a high conception of civic beauty. We ourselves are economically poor but we can be rich in ideas, (good ideas if you please) as ideas have built the world. Then we need not be ashamed in our small business establishments to seek to demonstrate the good idea of civic righteousness, remembering always that cleanliness and order are the first essentials, two things which are inexpensive and therefore, within the reach of all. Side walks swept; windows washed; floors kept clean; fronts painted when possible are steps that the little fellow can take to reach the high pinnacle in civic fitness mentioned above.

In our business places, the voice of civic righteousness has a double call for its disciples. It says: "Where my order is kept people love to go and spend their money, thus, Oh, men, I give you profit as well as beauty." Sometimes things happen in proper and beautiful order without apparent design, sometimes these things go unnoticed and unpraised. One has to be elevated temperamentally and sometimes bodily to see these things. It was so in the writer's case. He happened to be on top of a nearby building when he noted the striking relative positions of several of our public institutions. Starting with the Lincoln high school at Nineteenth

street and Tracy avenue (undoubtedly a civic building of importance) looking east on Nineteenth right in its swing stands the newly constructed Y. M. C. A. building, with some pretensions to the artistic and certainly has an unquestioned recognition under the term "civic righteousness." Right in the next street running parallel is the City Fire Department No. 11 whose very building would suggest preservation of civic beauty while two blocks farther east still on Nineteenth street we have the modernly constructed Attucks School. These buildings are in a naturally beautiful swing, important because of their public utility; and deserving of all of the beautification that we may see fit to clothe them with.

Speaking of improvement we may add that the now highly important "1500" block has undergone some wonderful changes in the last few months, the buildings on the north side were pushed back 15 feet as quietly and swiftly as a ghost at night. New concreted sidewalks have been laid and a set of electric clusters have been attached on each trolley post giving that side of the street the appearance of the "white way." Perhaps the Autumn Leaf Club has made the most extensive alterations and improvements which are no doubt appreciated by the public.

As a greater improvement and another step toward public decency we ask the management to so curtail the front view that the passerby will not be compelled to see the drink serving process. While we are on this subject we might further observe that there is an essential difference in the White and Colored saloonist. The Colored saloonist usually makes some effort at decency and seldom, if ever loses his racial consciousness. Whilst the White saloonist is invariably an impossible blank when it comes down to anything decent for those who make him rich. They are generally the raffra of the Anglo-Saxon who are too low-lived to make a living with their own people, dump themselves upon our communities to corrupt and defile us. But what makes it possible for them to succeed? Answer: The miserable ignorant people who haven't either sense, pride, or decency, these, unfortunately, are but the name is too good for such, numbered among "colored" people.

After all we haven't strayed far from the subject of "Civic Righteousness," in fact we haven't strayed at all as the subject is of that comprehensive scope that it uncovers a multitude of defects as well as pointing out numerous virtues. "This will be a fine street after it is finished," is a general observation heard every day. The moving back of buildings seems to have been the sounding of the gong for interior improvements and decorations for all business places in the block under discussion. O. K. Cleaners have a nice stand with entire new front. And Jones' pool hall and barber shop fairly eclipses anything in the west in style and appointment with luxuriant furnishings. The Delmonico Cafe has made some wonderful changes which affords a larger dining room, spacious and rich, including even a private room for exclusive parties. The Weaver Floral Establishment has been thoroughly renovated whilst the People's Drug Store still illuminates the corner with a well-kept, well-patronized place. Thus individually and collectively the spirit of civic righteousness goes marching on.

CHILLICOTHE, MISSOURI.

Mrs. Almyra Jones departed for El Reno, Okla., last Tuesday after a visit with relatives and friends. The Bachelor Girls entertained at the residence of Miss Lizzie Jones in honor of Miss Marguerite Estes and Miss Alice Talley, and Mr. Carl Talley, who left for Topeka, Kas., Sunday to attend the Carter Industrial College. Mr. Robert Green, Miss Noreen and Miss Hee Slaughter enrolled at Lincoln Institute last week. Mr. Sylvester Quinn departed for Quindaro, Kas., last Sunday, where he will resume his studies at Western University. Garrison school opened for the fall term Monday. We should urge and compel our children to attend school and thus, by our actions show that we appreciate and make good use of the accommodations we have. Indications are that Garrison under the leadership of Professor Virgil Williams and Clem Brown and Miss Odessa Hillman will continue to forge her way to the front. Not long ago a very high official in municipal affairs was heard to express his confidence in the efficiency of a certain class of our people. He broadly intimated that he didn't believe he could find a more reliable and profitable class of workmen anywhere. It is true, we seldom find mechanics of the Kingsberry and Reed type. Messrs. Albutt, Bland, Anderson and Todd are exceptional masons and cement contractors. We have an evidence of the fact that the men who give the most profitable labor are cordially received and their advice and aid sought in building up the city. And, remember, the material progress of the Negro here is gradual, but permanent, by reason of the fact that they have become encouraged in the matter of home getting. Doubtless this is surprising to those who exclaim: "Who will show us any good in the Negro?"



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